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SUBJECT: GLOBAL MARKET RESEARCH: AAS STUDY

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1. AUTHOR OF SUBJECT STUDY, DR. DOUGLAS L, HARDY, PRESENTLY IN U.S. NICHIBEI CONTACTED HIM AT OUR REQUEST AND HAS SINCE RECEIVED REPLY THAT HE TELEPHONED OIM PROJECT OFFICER RICHARD LOUGHLIN. ACCORDING TO HARDY'S REPLY CABLE, LOUGHLIN SAID IT IS NOT RPT NOT NECESSARY TO SUBMIT CORRECTIONS BY SEPT. 20. WE REQUEST CONFIRMATION OF THIS FACT.

2. NICHIBEI'S TOKYO OFFICE PRESENTLY PREPARING CORRECTIONS AND SHOULD FINISH THEM BY SEPT. 14. EMBASSY WILL SEND CORRECTIONS TO DOC WITH UNDERSTANDING HARDY MAY SUBMIT ADDITIONAL CHANGES FOLLOWING HIS RETURN TO TOKYO AT END SEPTEMBER. EMBASSY FEELS THIS APPROACH WILL ALLOW COMMERCE MORE TIME FOR INCORPORATION NEW DATA INTO ORIGINAL REPORT.

3. TERUYOSHI TASAKI, EXEC. VICE PRESIDENT OF NICHIBEI, SAYS OUTLOOK FOR APPROVAL OF NEW FIVE-YEAR AVIATION PLAN WITHIN NEAR FUTURE (THIS YEAR AND POSSIBLY NEXT) IS VERY SLIM. HE SAYS AVIATION CUNCIL DELAYED DECISION ON PLAN AT MEETING LAST WEEK, BASHING DECISION ON UNCERTAIN ECONOMIC CONDITIONS AND GOVT'S EFFORT TO HOLD DOWN GENERAL ECONOMIC DEMAND.

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4. EMBASSY ALSO LEARNED FROM AIRPORT PLANNING SECTINON

OA JAPANESE CAB THAT REVISION OF CURRENT FIVE-YEAR PLAN
WAS RECENTLY REJECTED.

5. ACCORDINGLY, BECAUSE THERE ARE NO PROSPECTS FOR
ADOPTION OF NEW FIVE-YEAR PLAN OR REVISION OF CURRENT
PLAN WITHIN NEAR FUTURE, EMBASSY BELIEVES NECESSITY
FOR SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT TO SUBJECT MR NO LONGER
EXISTS. DOC DECISION ON THIS POINT IS REQUESTED,
AS YEN 140,000 HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO EMBASSY FOR
THIS SUPPLEMENTAL STUDY.
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